

# **AUBURN ARTS COMMISSION**

## **Minutes**

**October 11, 2011**

The meeting was called to order at 8:16 am by Chairman Randy Mealhow at Auburn City Hall, Room 10. Present were: Randy Mealhow, April Maynard, Aloha Baumgarten, Joyce Silva, Rob Turner, Judi Lardner and Mike Holmes.

A quorum was established and the September Minutes accepted as corrected.

**Public Comment:** Kaitlin Kahn and Lisa Canfield introduced themselves and said they were interested in learning about the AAC. Michael Otten and Archie Warren were also in attendance. Randy asked members if it was acceptable to take agenda items out of order. Rob announced that Sierra College is hosting a show featuring art from the Burning Man Art Festival on October 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Mountain Quarries Bridge Gallery Show:** Mike has been seeking out people to contribute photos and paintings for the gallery show. A discussion followed regarding sources of old photos. Rob said that Paul the Barber in Newcastle has a lot of original photos of the bridge, which can be borrowed and reproduced for the show. Archie suggested contacting Anthony Peterson for photos. Randy said that perhaps Sonja Hamilton's students could be asked to do paintings for the show. It was suggested that Mike ask Angela Tahti of PlacerArts to put out a Call to Artists for the show in March.

**UAIC Art for Central Square:** Mike said that there are still some legal issues to work out regarding the UAIC-sponsored sculpture.

**Airport Monument:** Mike said that there has been some delay with the monument due to the unavailability of one of the main financial contributors.

**9/11 Memorial:** Mike was unaware of the current status of the memorial and will follow up with J. Randall Smith.

**Auburn Placer Performing Arts Center:** Joyce announced that Placer Community Theater is currently holding auditions for its next show, which will be performed at the State Theater.

**Public Art Loan Program Update:** Mike said that the Council is unsure as to their next step regarding the Public Art Loan Program. The minutes of the September 12<sup>th</sup> Council meeting (which were reviewed at the October 10<sup>th</sup> meeting) did not reflect the outcome of the discussion about the program. The meeting tapes are being reviewed so that the Council is clear on how to proceed.

**Streetscape project:** There was no report.

**Mural projects:** Rob said he would like to get the mural projects on the Council agenda as soon as possible so that they will be approved by the end of the year. The current plan is for a mural with a fruit label theme to be painted over the existing mural near Depoe Bay Coffee and Rico's Barber Shop on High Street. Archie said that the other mural will be located by Dancing Dog Productions on High Street and will feature No Hands Bridge (Mountain Quarries Bridge). Rob said that Lee Buckingham has obtained scaffolding for the murals, local paint stores will donate or sell the paint at cost, and Uptown Signs will

donate any needed enlargement services. Placer High School art students will assist in site preparation. A discussion followed as to the logistics of AAC approval of the projects. A special AAC meeting was scheduled for October 25<sup>th</sup> at 8:15 am to review images of the proposed murals and a draft for presentation to the Council. Rob and Archie agreed to send the images and draft proposal to AAC members prior to the meeting.

**City Hall Gallery:** Aloha asked for volunteers to staff the gallery during the October 13<sup>th</sup> Art Walk. Judi said she would help. Aloha suggested that the responsibility for staffing the gallery during the art walks be shared by all AAC members in the future. Joyce helped the Rocklin Art Group set up the current show.

**Review AAC Guidelines:** Judi said that she thinks the AAC should formally review the responsibilities of the AAC as defined in Council Resolution 10-77 (6/28/10) and then establish clear goals to focus on. A general discussion ensued about how the AAC operates. April proposed that we set aside two hours to discuss the guidelines. It was decided to begin this discussion at the October 25<sup>th</sup> special meeting. AAC members will review Resolution 10-77 and then discuss and prioritize goals. Judi asked that everyone bring their AAC binders to ensure that everyone has the same background documents.

The next regular meeting will be on November 8, 2011 at 8:15 am.

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 am  
Respectfully Submitted,  
Judi Lardner, Secretary